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Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Renewal of an Existing Collection

(EPA ICR No. 1632.06 and OMB Control No. 2070-0133); Comment Request

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The ICR, entitled: Standards for Pesticide Containers and Containment and identified by EPA ICR No. 1632.06 and OMB Control No. 2070-0133, represents the renewal of an existing ICR that is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2020. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection that is summarized in this document. The ICR and accompanying material are available in the docket for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE **FEDERAL REGISTER**].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0581, by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

- *Mail*: OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), (28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001.

- *Hand Delivery*: To make special arrangements for hand delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.html>.

Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. What Information is EPA Particularly Interested in?

Pursuant to PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting

electronic submission of responses. In particular, EPA is requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection.

II. What Information Collection Activity or ICR Does this Action Apply to?

Title: Standards for Pesticide Containers and Containment.

EPA ICR number: 1632.06.

OMB control number: 2070-0133.

ICR status: This ICR is currently scheduled to expire on October 31, 2020. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), after appearing in the Federal Register when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the Federal Register or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers for certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: The entities affected by the container regulations are different than the entities affected by the containment regulations, so this ICR document provides separate discussions of the primary activities and the related burden estimates for each. Where necessary to distinguish the discussion of these two primary activities within each section of this ICR, the Agency has identified the discussion of the information collection activities associated with the container design and residue removal requirements with this header: "Container," and the information collection activities related to the containment structure requirements with this header: "Containment." Where the discussion applies equally to both sets of activities, there is no

distinction.

Burden statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 7.5 hours per response for container regulations and 4 hours per response for containment regulations. Burden is defined in 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

The ICR, which is available in the docket along with other related materials, provides a detailed explanation of the collection activities and the burden estimate that is only briefly summarized here:

Respondents/Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this ICR are pesticide registrants and businesses who formulate pesticide products or pesticide formulation intermediates (NAICS code 325320), farm supply wholesales (NAICS code 422910), swimming pool applicators (NAICS code 561790, 453998 and 235990), and agricultural (aerial and ground) commercial applicators (NAICS code 115112).

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 23,586.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent: 1.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 169,660 hours.

Estimated total annual costs: \$ 8,113,231. This includes an estimated burden cost of \$ 7,221,656 for container regulations and an estimated cost of \$ 891,575 for containment regulations for maintenance and operational costs.

III. Are There Changes in the Estimates from the Last Approval?

There are no changes to the overall estimated burden hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB.

IV. What is the Next Step in the Process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** document pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

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